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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

ALAJEM, SARA ET AL

Serial No.:

09/727,480

Filed:

12 April, 2000

For: **OLIGONUCLEOTIDES AND** ASSEMBLIES THEREOF USEFUL IN THE DETECTION OF THE PRESENCE OR ABSENCE OF TARGET NUCLEIC ACID

SEQUENCES IN A SAMPLE

Examiner:

Jeffrey Norman Fredman

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

## PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Sir:

(1) This is a petition for an extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed February 18, 2002, for a period of two months.

(2) Applicant is a:

\_X\_ small entity

verified statement attached X\_ verified statement filed

other than small entity

(3)	Extension	Fee for small entity small entity	Fee for other than small entity
	one month	\$ 55	\$ 110
	X two months	\$ 200	\$ 400
	three months	\$ 460	\$ 920
	four months	<b>\$</b> 720	\$ 1440
	five months	\$ 980	\$ 1960

- (4) An amendment X is filed herewith has been filed
- (5) Please charge the extension fee and any other amount required to Deposit Account No. 50-1407. A duplicate copy of this form in enclosed.

Registration No. 25,457

tfully submitted,

Date: June 17, 2002

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